

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
November 25, 26 & 27

OLD MILL TRADE DAYS

Great Christmas Bargains!



Matti Smith wins the Finals average in the barrels at the High Plains Junior Rodeo finals held this last July in Clovis, New Mexico. Smith, the daughter of Perry and Kelly Smith, placed second in the second round, first in the short go around to claim the Finals average and placed fourth in the Finals average for goat tying.

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Garza County Hospital District hears good news from clinic operations

Garza County Hospital District board members received a bit of good news during last week's regular meeting: The operating deficit for the Garza County Health Clinic appears to be declining.

According to the clinic report for the month ending Oct. 31, the clinic recorded revenues of \$39,863 and expenses of \$44,589 for an end-of-month deficit of \$4,726.

"Which we're very proud of," said Shirley Taylor, district administrator. The clinic had 714 office visits during the month and performed 1,131 total procedures, according to reports.

In other business, the board:

- Authorized district employees to take the same Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays as those observed by the PNS-operated clinic employees. Essentially, hospital district employees will realize one extra day off at each of the upcoming holidays, Taylor said. The board also voted that these days off should be paid holidays.

- Received the indigent care report for the month. Six clients were being served at the beginning of the month, and another two were added to end the month with eight. Total expenses for the month were \$1,288, leaving \$98,711 in the fiscal year budget.

- Reviewed a copy of the Garza Central Tax Appraisal District annual audit for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30.

- Heard from Dr. Ben Edwards, clinic physician, who lauded the board, PNS and the public for their support since he arrived here a few months ago.

The board's next regular meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. Dec. 15 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

Shop at home theme set for Christmas celebration

Shopping at home will never be more fun than on Dec. 3.

The Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau, the Post Merchants Association and Post City Celebration Days have banded together to offer a fun-filled day of holiday shopping in Post.

The day's events will begin at 9 a.m. with Old Mill Trade Days opening its doors and a holiday bazaar at the Post Manor Community Room.

Beginning at 10 a.m., downtown merchants will begin welcoming holiday shoppers. Holiday-themed window displays, part of a competition sponsored by the Post Merchants Association, will help set the mood for the day while enticing shopper into stores.

In conjunction with holiday shopping in the downtown area, a scavenger hunt game also will be offered.

Outdoor music and holiday carols will fill the air as shoppers stroll from one stop to the next along East and West Main streets and Broadway. Santa also is expected to make a guest appearance, dropping in on many of the downtown stores.

Another must-see in the downtown area will be the OS Museum, which will feature its Christmas at the OS Museum: Where Wonders Abound exhibit.

The Garza County Historical Museum also will be decorated for the holidays and will feature a special display.

Shuttle buses will provide service between the downtown area and Old Mill Trade Days.

The December OMTD is one of the most colorful events of the year, and many new vendors are expected to be on hand to offer great gift items for the holidays. The marketplace also will be filled with Christmas music performed by children's choirs, bell choirs and vocal groups. The Family Harvest Church Youth Group will

be manning a gift-wrapping booth, and the Post Art Guild and Morning Life Drawers of Lubbock will be exhibiting and selling original art.

Santa also will be visiting with shoppers during the afternoon hours and is slated to assist with the auction to be held in the OMTD Weaving Room beginning at 2 p.m.

OMTD will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, through Sunday, Dec. 4. Admission on Dec. 2 will be \$1, with senior adults admitted free of charge. On Dec. 3 and 4, admission will be \$2. Children under the age of 10 are admitted free of charge at all times, and there is no charge for parking.

But the fun won't be done when the sun goes down. As always, the downtown Post area will be sparkling with lights as the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau hosts its annual lighted Christmas parade beginning at 6 p.m. The parade will travel from the Golden Plains Care Center to East Main.

Individuals, families, businesses and organizations interested in entering a lighted entry in this year's parade should contact the bureau office at 495-3461 or Thessa Harp at 778-4469 to enter.

Following the parade, still more activities are planned. A reception for member of the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau, the Women's Division of the PC&TB and member of the Post Merchants Association is planned.

The Women's Division will host a Christmas magic show at 7:30 p.m., and at 8 p.m. the bureau will play host to a Cowboy Christmas Ball at the Post Community Center. The public is invited to "put a little glitz and glitter on your denim and boots" and join in the evening of fun with the Rex Thomas band.

Tickets to the ball may be purchased at the bureau office, Plum Crazy, OMTD, Brady's Package Store, Best Western Motel, Garza Bed & Breakfast, Radio Shack and The Frame Shop. Cost for tickets is \$15 or \$25 for couples.

Special weekend at Old Mill Trade Days

A special shopping weekend is planned at Old Mill Trade Days Friday, November 25 through Sunday, November 27. From 9 am to 5 pm each day, over 150 vendors will set the stage for unique Christmas shopping at the Historic Postex Mill in Post.

"We have several new food vendors along with the usual favorites and many new vendors selling great items for Christmas," Rosa Latimer, OMTD General Manager, explained. "Old Mill Trade Days is also a great place to find fresh pecans, seasonings and special foods for the holidays. With over 50 acres of shopping, our customers will find an outstanding variety of merchandise."

This special Thanksgiving event will be followed by the regularly scheduled event, December 2, 3 & 4, providing two consecutive weekends of shopping at Old Mill Trade Days.

Friday admission to OMTD is \$1 and Senior Adults are admitted free. Saturday and Sunday admission is \$2. There is no admission for children under 10 and parking is free.

Danger: Deer crossing

by Wes Burnett

I experienced another "first" last Saturday, proving the old adage that there is no end to the newness of life. After more than 50 years of driving, having never before collided with a deer, I was in the driver's seat Saturday evening when our van hit a doe crossing U.S. Hwy 84 about four miles northwest of Post.

What surprised me the most was the fact that a deer was even on that stretch of road. Counting the past 23 years we've lived in Post and another 15 years of driving on U.S. Hwy 84 before we moved to Post ... I had never seen any wild critters at all, and for certain not a single deer.

Interestingly, the deer that collided with our van had been spotted earlier grazing on the east side of the highway. Apparently the little doe managed to wiggle between all the heavy traffic across two lanes, the medium and the left lane of southeast bound traffic before meeting our left front bumper.

"Ka bump, ka-bump" one for the bumper and headlight assembly and the other I suppose the tires passing over the body. I always set our cruise control at 60 mph during the evening hours, so I had no trouble keeping control, in fact, in less than a second, the van hit the deer, it careened downward and we continued on without any swerving at all.

I slowed down and parked on the shoulder to inspect the damage, thinking by the noise that surely there had been a blowout on the left front tire. But hey, it was just fine, but there was some stuff hanging down, dangling below the light assembly.

In the days following, we've heard from others that deer are much more commonly being seen along U.S. Hwy 84, especially in spots near the caprock. Some speculate that they are bedding down below the escarpment and at dusk are roaming around on top looking for decent grazing.

Drivers beware ... although I'm not certain what that means, because when those critters decide to make a move, no amount of preparation can avoid the collision. I will say with some certainty that dropping the speed to 50-60 mph in those last five miles or so could mean the difference between "minor" damage and "major" disruption.

We have lived and traveled extensively in what are known as "deer country" routes in Texas and all over the United States. I suppose, after all this time, a collision with a deer was overdue. At least no one was injured.

I think we had the "right of way," but I sure hope this report doesn't get into the hands of one of those PETA enthusiasts, who will surely see me as a "careless deer slayer."

Post Notes

Graham Chapel Church of Christ

The internationally known Hallelujah Chorus under the direction of Dr. Wayne Hinds (former LCU chorus director) will present their "Christmas Special" on Sunday, December 4th beginning at 5 p.m. at the Graham Chapel Church of Christ, located at 15th Street and Avenue S. The public is invited to attend.

"A Place in the Christmas Choir"

The 4th and 5th grade music students at Post Elementary will present their annual Christmas musical entitled "A Place in the Christmas Choir" in the elementary auditorium at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 1. The Science Fair will also be conducted on the same day at 6 p.m. We would like to invite all parents and the community to attend.

Sew 'n So's holiday bazaar

The Sew 'n So's Club will hold a Holiday Gift Bazaar on Saturday, December 3 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Post Manor Community Room located at 802 W. 15th street. Come shop with us for a variety of home crafted holiday gifts for family and friends. For more information call Carolyn at 495-3041 or Faye at 495-2253.

Holiday window contest announced

"Christmas in Post" will be the theme for the Post City Merchants window contest. Local merchants are encouraged to decorate their storefront windows. A \$150 cash prize will be awarded to the best entry. All businesses will be considered in the contest (businesses need not be a member of PCM to participate and/or win).

Monthly meetings begin Dec. 12

Post Antelope Booster Club begin monthly meetings on Monday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Post High School Library (enter at the west door). Booster Club supports all sports and urge parents of student athletes to attend meetings and assist in decisions about enhancing programs for all student athletes.

Toys for Tots donations

Post Lions Club are asking for help again this year for donations and toys. Good used toys will also be accepted. We appreciate all the help we can get. Last year 98 children received toys. If it weren't for our community and your support this would not be possible. Call Shelly at 777-4783. Please help!

New voter cards to be mailed out soon

We will soon be mailing our new voter cards. If you have changed your residence address, mailing address, or your name please contact us at the Garza County Tax A/C office before November 30, 2005. If you receive a voter card for someone who no longer resides at your address please mark "No longer at this address" and return to your mail box.

Talina Bird competes at Nationals

A 26-year-old Post resident will be among the handful of talented barrel racers selected to compete at the 2005 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo next month.

Talina Bird will carry her 13th place ranking into the competition, which will run Dec. 2 through Dec. 11 in Las Vegas. She will be competing with her partner of the past 17 years - her horse nicknamed Mooney.

"This will be our first big-time show and rodeo," she said Monday. "Hopefully we'll have a big day."

To earn her ranking, Bird has traveled thousands of miles, participating in 60 rodeos this year.

"We've stayed on top this year," she said. "It's been fabulous."

The Wrangler National Finals Rodeo is the "World Series of rodeo," according to the NFR Web site. Each year the rodeo draws the top 15 contestants in bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, tie-down roping, barrel racing and bull riding to compete.

Prize money for participants this year

will be more than \$5 million.

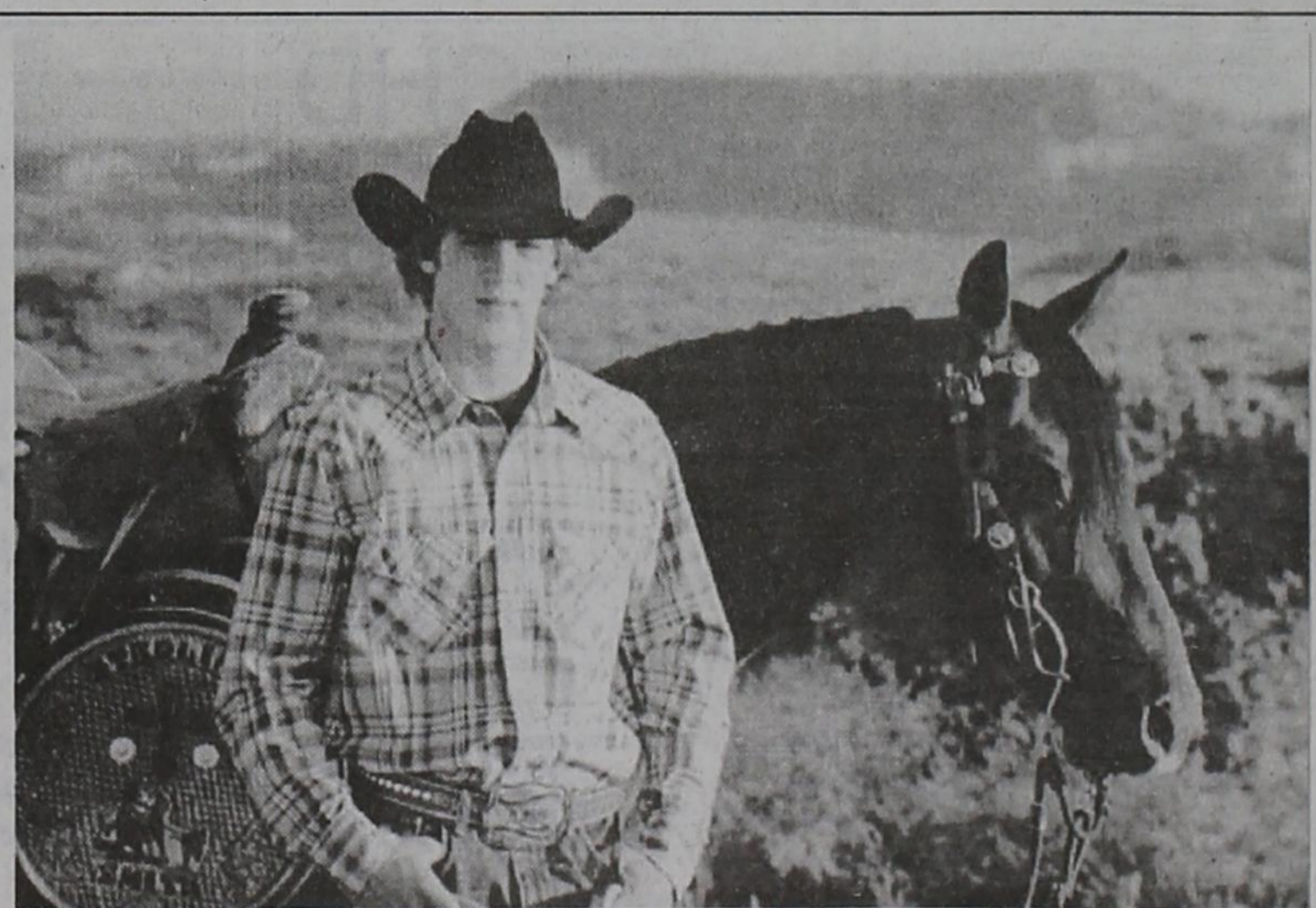
The event, to be held in the Thomas & Mack Center, marks the 21st time the rodeo has been conducted in Las Vegas. Last year's event had a total attendance of almost 176,000 over the competition's 10 days.

This year's performances of the Wrangler NFR will be broadcast on ESPN and ESPN2.

For more information on the Wrangler NFR, visit www.NFRexperience.com or www.prorodeo.com.



Talina Bird of Post earn berth at National Finals. (Photo by David Jennings, Jennings Photography)



Sterling Smith earns All-Star honors

Sterling Smith of Post has been named to the Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team, the first corporate-sponsored youth rodeo team.

The Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team is similar to the Wrangler's Champion Pro Rodeo Team that includes superstars such as Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Dan Mortensen, Charmayne James and Hall of Fame member Jim Shoulders.

Smith earned a spot on the high school team based on his leadership qualities, academic eligibility and athletic achievements, according to a press release from the National High School Rodeo Association, the oldest youth rodeo organization in the nation.

The NHSRA is responsible for Smith's appointment.

"We are excited to again this year expand Wrangler's rodeo sponsorship program at the high school level," said Karl Stressman, special events manager for Wrangler Rodeo. "As always, it gives us a tremendous sense of pride to associate the Wrangler brand with promising young men and women. We're confident each member of the team will be an outstanding goodwill ambassador for the sport of rodeo."

Members of the Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team received official competition apparel - Wrangler Twenty X shirts embroidered with the team logo and two pairs of competition jeans. Additionally, team members receive an official team certificate.

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Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy Ballentine Bush

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I can't believe that it is already this time of year. The fellas came Saturday to get the lights on our house and it hit me like a ton of bricks that I better get busy getting a shopping list together. First things first though, so guess I'll cook that turkey.

DOWNTOWN

Downtown is really starting to look pretty. They are getting the lights in the trees and the windows are being decorated. I was on the phone this morning with a customer service agent in Seattle and she could hear our Christmas music.

Our conversation led to Post being a small town and how we decorated every year and our Christmas parade. She had never seen anything like that. Once again, I'm so happy I live in Post, Texas!!

TOOOO FUNNY

Three women escaped from prison. One was a redhead, one a brunette, and one a blonde. They ran for miles until they came upon an old barn where they decided to hide in the hayloft and rest. When they climbed up, they found three large gunnysacks and decided to climb into them for camouflage.

About an hour later the sheriff and his deputy came into the barn. The sheriff told his deputy to go up and check out the hayloft. When he got up there the sheriff asked him what he saw and the deputy yelled back, "Just three gunnysacks."

The sheriff told him to find out what was in them, so the deputy kicked the first sack, which had the redhead in it. She went, "Bow-wow", so the deputy told the sheriff there was a dog in it.

Then he kicked the sack with the brunette in it. She went, "Meow", so the deputy told the sheriff there was a cat in it. Then he kicked the one with the blonde in it, and there was no sound at all. So he kicked it again, and finally the blonde said, "Potatoes."

TLL NEXT WEEK

Guess that is it for this week. Please call with your news or let me know who all came to visit for Thanksgiving. We have lots of folks in Post who don't get to go out

and this is their way of keeping up with everyone. So please take time to call, I would be very happy to visit with you. I hope all of you have the most wonderful Thanksgiving and may God bless each of you.

See you next week.
Judy

**White River Lake
Weekly Report
Nov. 21, 2005**

Gauge reading: 2348.70 Feet below spillway: 23'9" Rise - 0" Rainfall (past week): 0" Rain to-date: 15.50"

Did you know? • The lake was slow over the weekend. Fishing was slow. • The bald eagle from Texas Tech was released Friday, Nov. 11, at the lake. Looks like he has a new home.

Source: Mickey Rogers, WRMWD general manager

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**Airman William
Johnson completes
USAF Training**

Air Force Airman William S. Johnson has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Johnson is the son of Melissa Huffaker of Rural Route 3, Post, Texas, and grandson of Annett Cornelius of Tumbleweed Trail, Fort Worth, Texas.

He is a 2003 graduate of Brewer High School, Fort Worth.

**A
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Children and adults enjoy lots of games and activities during the Family Harvest Church Fall Festival on Monday, October 31 in the Middle School gym. Attendance was estimated at over 500.



**Post Middle School UIL acting
team claims First Place rating**

Post middle school members of the UIL One Act Play team placing first with their performance of "In to the Woods" at the recent 5-2A South Zone District Contest are (back row left to right), Amber Wilson, Madison Cash, Ms. Nikki Pollard, Danica Williams, Chase Odom and Miranda Hair (middle row), Nichole Alvirez, Kelly Chapa, Sydnee Jones, Alex Miller, Samantha Morley, Tiny Williams, Skylar Jones, Travis Bergin, Branda Stevens, Shiloh Short and Ms. Gini Aldridge (front row), Luke Cravy, Alisha Jones, Michael Porter, John Bocko, Cheree Conner, Jonathan Perez and Kari Dunn. Making the All Star Cast were Amber Wilson, Michael Porter, John Bocko and Sydnee Jones. Branda Stevens was recognized for Best Sound Technician. Awarded for Best Actress was handed to Kelly Chapa. Travis Bergin earned the award for Best Actor.

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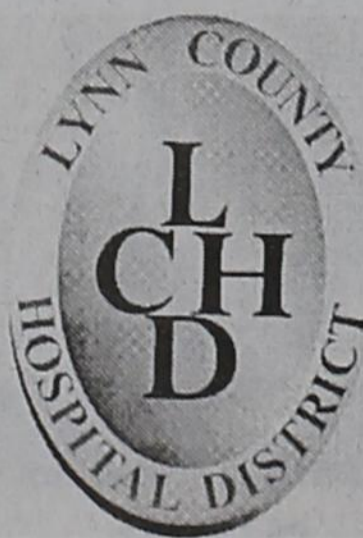
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New facility planned for Head Start

Recent forecasts indicate spring will bring an Early Head Start to Post. Following the recent groundbreaking ceremonies, work on a new Early Head Start facility is under way and expected to be completed sometime in March.

The federally funded effort, licensed by the State of Texas and operating under the umbrella of the South Plains Community Action Association, offers home-based and facility programs for children and pregnant women.

Although services already are offered in the Post area, they have been limited to home-based efforts. The opening of the new facility next spring will broaden the offerings provided by the local Early Head Start program.

Once completed, the three-classroom facility will be licensed to accommodate up to 12 center-based students.

"The whole objective of the program is to help low-income families become self-sufficient," said Janie Ayala, family support specialist with the program. "If they're working parents, parents going to school training or something, that's what we're there for. To help them meet their goals and establish themselves and their families."

The center, which accommodates children ages 6 weeks to 3 years, will feature a student-to-teacher ratio of 4-to-1, plus a "floater" to provide assistance, Ayala said.

"Everything will be set up age-appropriate," she said. Enrolled families will essentially receive free childcare through the program, although the hours will be limited. Participating children will be fed breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack.

Admission to the program is income-based, Ayala said. The program follows federal income guidelines to direct its admissions.

Recruitment applications are taken throughout the year, and applicants meeting the requirements are put on a waiting list. Vacancies are filled from the waiting list.

One of the program's teachers, Debbie Hernandez, lives and works in Post. As a "home visitor," she provides educational plans for children, making weekly 1 1/2-hour visits in their homes. Twelve students are currently enrolled in the home-based program, the primary object of which is "to educate the parent and educate the children."

"We believe first and foremost that the parents are the primary educators of a child," Ayala said.

According to the SPCAA Web site, the core objectives of the Head Start program include:

- Enhancing children's growth and development.
 - Strengthening families as the primary nurturers of their children.
 - Providing children, families and pregnant women with educational, health and nutritional services and/or resources.
 - Linking children and families to needed community resources.
 - Ensuring well-managed programs that involve parents in decision-making.
- In addition to enhancing the educational opportunities of the children the program serves, Ayala also works to assist families in crisis by providing connections with



available resources.


Ayala, a resident of Post, serves the Post site, although the program's main office is on Avenue Q in Lubbock.

"It's been an exciting adventure for me," she said. "Very rewarding."

Prior to joining the program four years ago, Ayala worked for nine years with the Shaping Success program, a similar effort that targets preschoolers ages 3 and 4.





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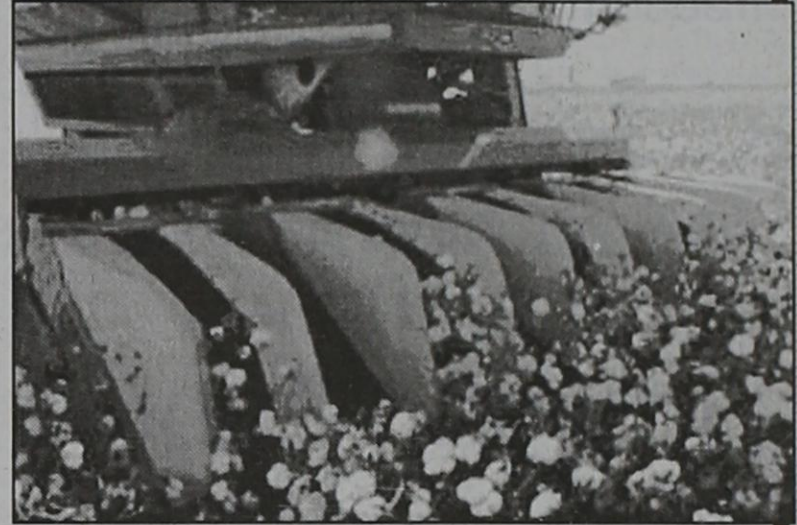
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Obituaries

Jewel Rogers

Services for Jewell Rogers, 93, of Austin, TX and formerly of Abernathy, TX, will be held at 11:00 am Tuesday, November 22, 2005, in the First Church of the Nazarene, Post, TX, with Rev. Garland Wallace and Rev. Arlen Ankle officiating.

Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery, Post, TX, under the direction of Abell Funeral Home of Abernathy, TX.

Mrs. Rogers died Sunday, November 20, 2005, in Austin, TX. She was born October 13, 1912 in Comanche County, TX, to H. J. and Emma Alice Bingham. She married F. W. Rogers in Post, TX,

June 21, 1931, he preceded her in death May 29, 2001.

She moved to Abernathy in 1985 from Post, TX.

She is survived by her daughter, Nova Mang and husband, John of Wimberly, TX, 5 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and numerous neices and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the First Church of the Nazarene, Abernathy, TX.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff at Park Bend Health Center for their care of Mrs. Rogers.



Extension Extras

Showmanship Clinic Date Changed

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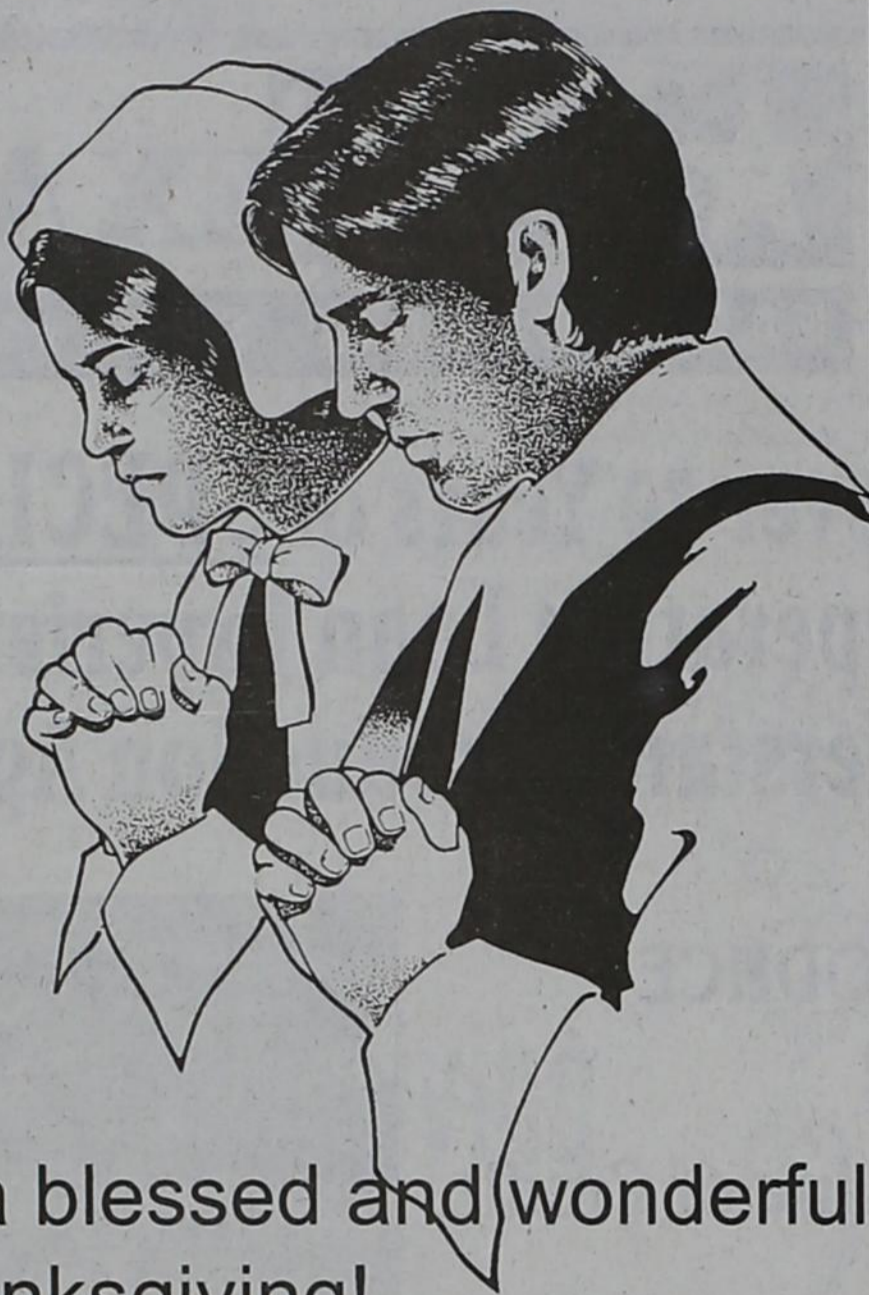
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Ephesians 4:28

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On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

Mary Magdalene arrives to Jesus' grave three full days later

In this study on the women arriving at the sepulchre, we will allow the Gospels to harmonize in order to see a clearer picture of what took place the night after Jesus' resurrection.

As a review, Jesus died on the day known as Preparation. The time was nearly 3 p.m. Joseph and Nicodemus buried him just before sunset. According to the Hebrew calendar, the time of sunset marked the change of a day. The day of Preparation was followed by the special high day called Passover. The scripture was fulfilled three full days later when God raised Jesus from the dead. The resurrection would have occurred just before sunset between the weekly sabbath and the first day of the week.

While preparing for this week's column, I discovered something I hadn't noticed before. The Gospel of Matthew reveals that Mary Magdalene and another Mary came to the sepulchre during the time of sunset on the weekly sabbath, toward the first day of the week. According to Matthew 28:1, "In the end of the sabbath as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre."

The words "the end of" came from an earlier known Greek word that meant "late on." It can be used in reference to the latter part of a day. The word "toward" is the translation for the earlier known word "eis." E.W. Bullinger gives the following explanation, "eis governs only one case (the Accusative). Euclid uses eis when a line is drawn to meet another line at a certain point. Hence it denotes motion to or unto an object, with the purpose of reaching or touching it" (The Companion Bible, Appendix 104 vi).

The use of the word "toward" shows that the women arrived on the latter part of the weekly sabbath as the first day

of the week drew near. Because of the word "dawn" I thought it was related to one of the early morning arrivals recorded in the other Gospels. Here the word "dawn" is used for the approach of a new 24-hour day, rather than a 12-hour sunlit day.

The women must have arrived just in time for the earthquake, and to witness the angel from God roll back the stone from the opening. The angel was described as having the general appearance of lightning and wearing clothing as snow. Out of fear, the guards shook from within and fell unconscious as if to be dead.

The angel encouraged the women to not be afraid, and told them that Jesus was not in the sepulchre because he was risen from the dead. The women were told to quickly leave and tell the disciples that Jesus was alive, and that he would meet them in Galilee. The left the sepulchre with reverence and great joy.

What a fantastic moment this must have been for the women. To add icing on the cake, they were confronted by Jesus himself while en-route to the disciples. They paid homage to him and embraced his feet, and he told them to send word for the disciples to meet him in Galilee. The disciples did not believe their story.

Although we need to research, and spend more time in the scriptures on this new discovery, there is enough information to support a couple of corrections from last week's column. John's Gospel does not record the first time somebody arrived to find Jesus' body missing. Also, the record in Mark 16:9 refers to Mary's encounter with Jesus according to Matthew's account.

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Oh no, Alito

by Bill O'Reilly

The left-wing media has already labeled the new Supreme Court nominee, Samuel Alito, a crazed right-wing zealot who, if he had lived back then, would have been Attila the Hun's right-hand man. That's right, that dreaded conservative, Alito the Hun, is up for the highest court in the land.

If you listen to the far left, Sam Alito is a grave danger to civil rights, reproductive rights, animal and vegetable rights, and your right to watch a wide-screen TV in the privacy of your own home. The man is bad, awful, horrendous and not good at all. So what exactly has the Alito guy done that has raised so much liberal ire? Well, he ruled that notifying a husband that his wife was having an abortion did not put an "undue burden" on the woman. Now, you may disagree with that, but it's certainly not a loopy point of view. In fact, the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that a husband is not entitled to know about his wife's abortion, but the ruling was and is highly debatable.

Somehow the far left has overlooked the fact that Judge Alito also ruled against a partial birth abortion ban in New Jersey. That decision was based on a previous federal ruling concerning a Nebraska case. So it seems Alito is following established law, doesn't it?

But all the facts in the world don't matter because the issue is not really about Alito — it's about the culture war. The far-left, secular-progressive movement realizes it is losing the highest court in the land, and the judiciary is the only way the secular progressives can impose their radical agenda. The folks are simply not going for it on Election Day.

The secular progressives have made a lot of gains recently. They own the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in California as well as many federal judges in the Northeast. The Massachusetts Supreme Court is hard-core secular progressive, and so is the Supreme Court of Florida and Oregon. But now, all that is threatened.

With John Roberts and Sam Alito sitting on the U.S. Supreme Court, radical changes to law in America will be difficult to achieve. Justices Anthony Kennedy, Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas all lean toward a traditional interpretation of the Constitution, and the two newcomers also fit into the category. That means taps for gay marriage, euthanasia, legalized narcotics, exorcising the words "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance, and tearing down public displays of Christmas — all the things that make the ACLU and other radical groups warm all over.

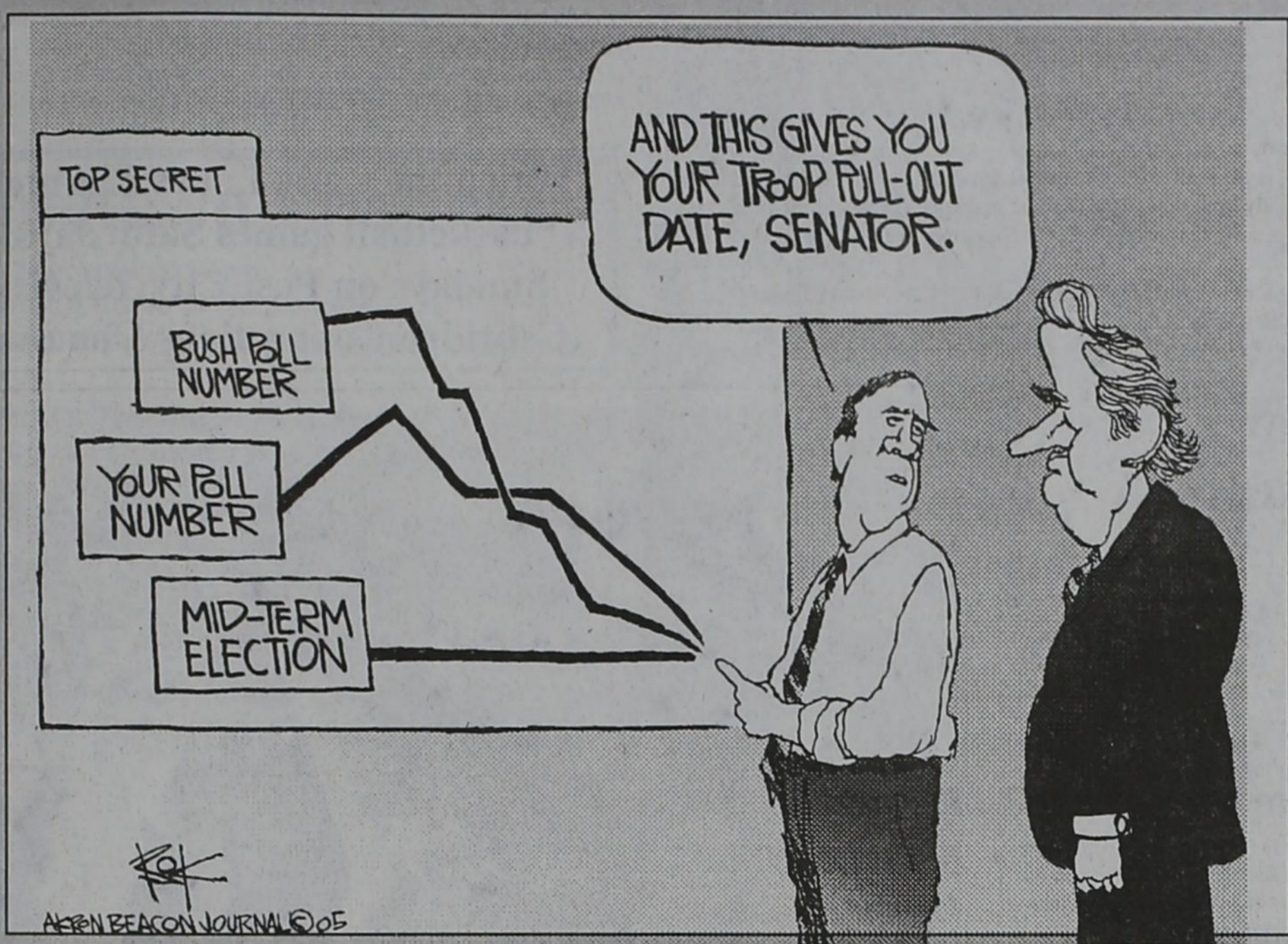
So Judge Sam Alito is definitely a cold front blowing in from New Jersey, and he has got to be stopped; the stakes have never been higher for the secular-progressives.

The problem for them is that Alito, like Judge Roberts, looks to be a pretty solid guy. An attempt to label him "Machine Gun Sam" fizzled when it was found that his ruling allowing the intrastate movement of machine guns was based on the Commerce Act rather than an affinity for the NRA. But you know the far left isn't going to stop — they'll find something on Alito, wait and see.

But I believe the public is finally catching on to the demonizing game, and backlash is a very real possibility. Judge Alito is certainly not a crazed ideologue and is obviously qualified to sit on the Supreme Court. Any attempt to slime him is fraught with the danger for the mudslinger. And that is a good thing.

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What about windfall profits?

by Walter E. Williams

In the wake of high gasoline prices and high oil company profits, House Speaker Dennis Hastert demands that oil companies explain why they are making so much money and what they plan to do to bring down the cost of gasoline. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., has introduced a 50 percent windfall profit tax on every barrel of oil selling for more than \$40. Let's talk about profits.

First, there's normal profit, which is defined as the minimum amount necessary to keep entrepreneurial resources in their current usage in the long run. Normal profits reflect the opportunity cost of using funds to finance an operation, and they must be equal to, or greater than, the returns available elsewhere in the economy. Normal profits are indeed a cost of business — the payment to equity owners.

Windfall or supernormal profits are any profits in excess of normal profit and are above and beyond that necessary to keep entrepreneurial resources in their current usage. However, windfall profits are a vital component to a smoothly operating economy. Windfall profits serve as a signal that there are unmet human wants. Let's look at it with a simple example.

Suppose there's a disaster wiping out food resources in Harrisburg, Pa., and I live in Philadelphia. Prior to the disaster, bread prices in both cities were \$2 a loaf. I buy a truckload of bread, cart it to Harrisburg and sell it for \$20 a loaf, earning huge windfall profits. When the word gets out that there are profits to be made, what do you think happens? If you said other people will start carting bread to Harrisburg, bakers will start working overtime to produce more bread, people who formerly used their ovens to bake cakes and pies will switch to baking bread, there'll be bread conservation in Philadelphia and elsewhere and eventually bread prices will start to fall in Harrisburg and windfall profits would vanish, go to the head of the class. While some might find people earning windfall profits objectionable, the result of their actions, getting more bread to Harrisburg, is precisely what's desired.

What if politicians said, "People are profiting from the misery of others, and we're going to impose a bread windfall profits tax"? Say they legislated a 100 percent tax, taking all of the \$18 of windfall profits. Would you expect to see people making all those efforts to get bread to Harrisburg? Suppose there were huge startup costs for companies to expand their operation or onerous regulations for people to get into the bread business, would that be good news or bad news for people in Harrisburg?

What prevents a robust supply response to changes in scarcity conditions in the gasoline market? U.S. oil refining capacity is now less than it was in 1980, and since that time there's been a 25 percent increase in demand. Because of costly environmental regulations, it's been 30 years since a new refinery has been built. According to the American Petroleum Institute, over the last 10 years, it has cost the oil industry \$47 billion to comply with costly and sometimes useless environmental controls. There are restrictions on exploiting the huge oil reserves in Alaska, the Gulf and the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Speaker Hastert said, "These are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary measures. We expect oil companies to do their part to help ease the pain American families are feeling from high energy prices." Instead of mouthing platitudes and beating up on oil executives, Speaker Hastert should lead the effort to reduce restrictions on drilling and refinery construction. Sen. Dorgan should review our 1970s experience with an oil windfall profits tax that reduced American production and increased our dependence on foreign sources.

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The ultimate parent?

by Sheldon Richman

If you believe that parents have a natural and constitutional right to raise their children as they see fit, the federal Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals recently ruled against you.

The occasion was not a case of child abuse or neglect. Quite the contrary, it was a case of parents objecting to a school's asking their 7- to 10-year-old children about sex.

In 2001 the Palmdale School District, in Los Angeles County, California, had a graduate student in psychology design a survey for children in the first, third, and fifth grades. In a notice to parents, the district said the 79-question survey was intended to "establish a community baseline measure of children's exposure to early trauma (for example, violence)" and to "identify internal behaviors such as anxiety and depression and external behaviors such as aggression and verbal abuse." The notice told parents that they could opt out of the survey and included a letter of consent, which stated, "I understand answering questions may make my child feel uncomfortable. If this occurs, then, Kristi Seymour, the research study coordinator, will assist us in locating a therapist for further psychological help if necessary." This should have been a tip-off to parents.

The letter made no reference to the sexual content of the survey, which asked children how often they engaged in, for example, "Touching my private parts too much," "Thinking about touching other people's private parts," and "Thinking about sex when I don't want to."

After filing an unsuccessful complaint with the school district, several parents went into federal court for an injunction and damages, charging that the school violated their rights to privacy and "to control the upbringing of their children by introducing them to matters of and relating to sex." The district and appellate courts rejected those claims. The plaintiffs have not decided whether to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Two issues deserve attention: (1) Judge Stephen Reinhardt's claim that parents' freedom regarding education is limited to choosing the schools to which they send their children; and (2) the doctrine of *parens patriae*, under which the judge ruled that the school district has the legitimate authority to look after not only the education, but also the mental health, of children.

Imagine a Wal-Mart customer demanding, as a matter of right, that the store manager carry certain items and not others. We understand that a customer's right consists in patronizing or not patronizing the store. If he enters, he takes the store as he finds it. If he dislikes the store, he can go elsewhere.

Judge Reinhardt believes that, in educating their children, parents are in the same position as the Wal-Mart customer. He writes, "Once parents make the choice as to which school their children will attend, their fundamental right to control the education of their children is, at the least, substantially diminished. The constitution does not vest parents with the authority to interfere with a public school's decision as to how it will provide information to its students or what information it will provide, in its classrooms or otherwise."

This reasoning is plausible — except for one large detail. Even if parents choose private education, they have to pay school taxes. The choice is rigged. That's unjust.

Parens patriae, or "father of the country," is the doctrine that the state is the ultimate guardian of children. Judge Reinhardt wrote, "The questioning can also be justified on the basis of an alternative state interest — namely, *parens patriae*.... The School District's interest in the mental health of its students falls well within the state's authority as *parens patriae*. As such, the School District may legitimately play a role in the care and nurture of children entrusted to them for schooling."

In fact, *parens patriae* is one of those high-sounding slogans (the Latin helps) that comes down to this: the state is more powerful than anyone with the audacity to disagree. Did you consent to *parens patriae*? If not, by what authority does it apply to your children?

Judge Reinhardt's presumptuous ruling embodies Senator Hillary Clinton's favorite quotation, "There's no such thing as other people's children." Any self-respecting parent rejects that philosophy root and branch.

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Lady Lopes point guard Rachel Gray works the ball down the court during last Friday's game against Lockney in Antelope Arena. Kylie Easterling sets a screen in the background. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Lady Lopes use aggressive defense, consistent offense in 56-51 win over Lockney

by Jerry White

The Post Lady Lopes played their first home game of the year hosting the Lady Horns from Lockney. The Lady Lopes had a tough task of trying to defend a 6' 3" post player for the Lady Horns, when the tallest Lady Lope stands 5' 9".

The Lady Lopes wanted to play her physically. To keep from fouling any one player out to early the Lady Lopes rotated four girls on her.

Jackie Hays, Kadie Vernon, Laurel Tatum did a super job getting after her. The Lady Lopes managed to score in double digits all four quarters and scored 18 point in the second and fourth quarters to finish the game with a 56 to 51 win.

Scoring for the Lady Lopes were Rachel Gray 16, Laurel Tatum 16, Jenee Lott 8, Ashley Wilson 6, Kylie Easterling 6, and Sunnie Barbosa 2. Lott, Wilson, and Easterling 3 point shots that were big for the Lady Lopes.

Lott and Wilson made 2 three point shots each while Easterling made one three point shot. Rebounding leaders for the Lady Lopes were Lott 8, Tatum 7, Gray 7, Wilson 7, and Hays 4. Gray also made 6 of 8 freethrows in the game.

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Cooper outscores Lady Lopes

The Lady Lopes travelled to Lubbock Cooper HS for their second game of the season.

The Lady Lopes struggled with their shooting making only 21.3% of their field goals and dropped the contest 34 -44. Even though they were cold from the field the Lady Lopes shot 80% from the free throw line.

The Lady Lopes have 6 new players on varsity. These girls shoot fine in practice and as soon as they get a few games and settle down they should get better. Rachel Gray led the way for the Lady Lopes shooting 50% from the floor and scoring 18 points, with 7 rebounds, and 3 steals.

Jenee Lott scored 4 points making 4 of 4 freethrows, rebounding 9 and 2 steals. Laurel Tatum scored 4 points, rebounded 3, with 1 blocked shot.

Jackie Hays scored 4 point and rebounded 5.

Sunnie Barbosa scored 2 points and made 2 steals. Asheley Wilson scored 2 points and rebounded 5.

Kylie Easterling made 2 assist, 2 rebounds, and 2 steals. The Lady Lopes are now 0 - 2 for the season.

In the JV game the Lady Lopes JV came up short to Lubbock Cooper JV 27 to 35.

Scoring for the JV were Steffi Norman 8, Marlee Plummer 7, Brenna Postell 4, Lori Jones 2, Keisha Odom 2, Laura Gonzales 2, and Tamara Ramundo 2. the Lady Lopes JV are now 1-1 for the season.

In the freshman game Monday night the Lady Lopes defeated Abernathy 34 to 22. Scoring for the freshman were Shawnda Wiley 14, Shyra Perez 10, Gaby Gomez 4, Whitney Williams 4, and Haley Lester 2. The Lady Lopes Freshman are now 2 - 0 for the season.

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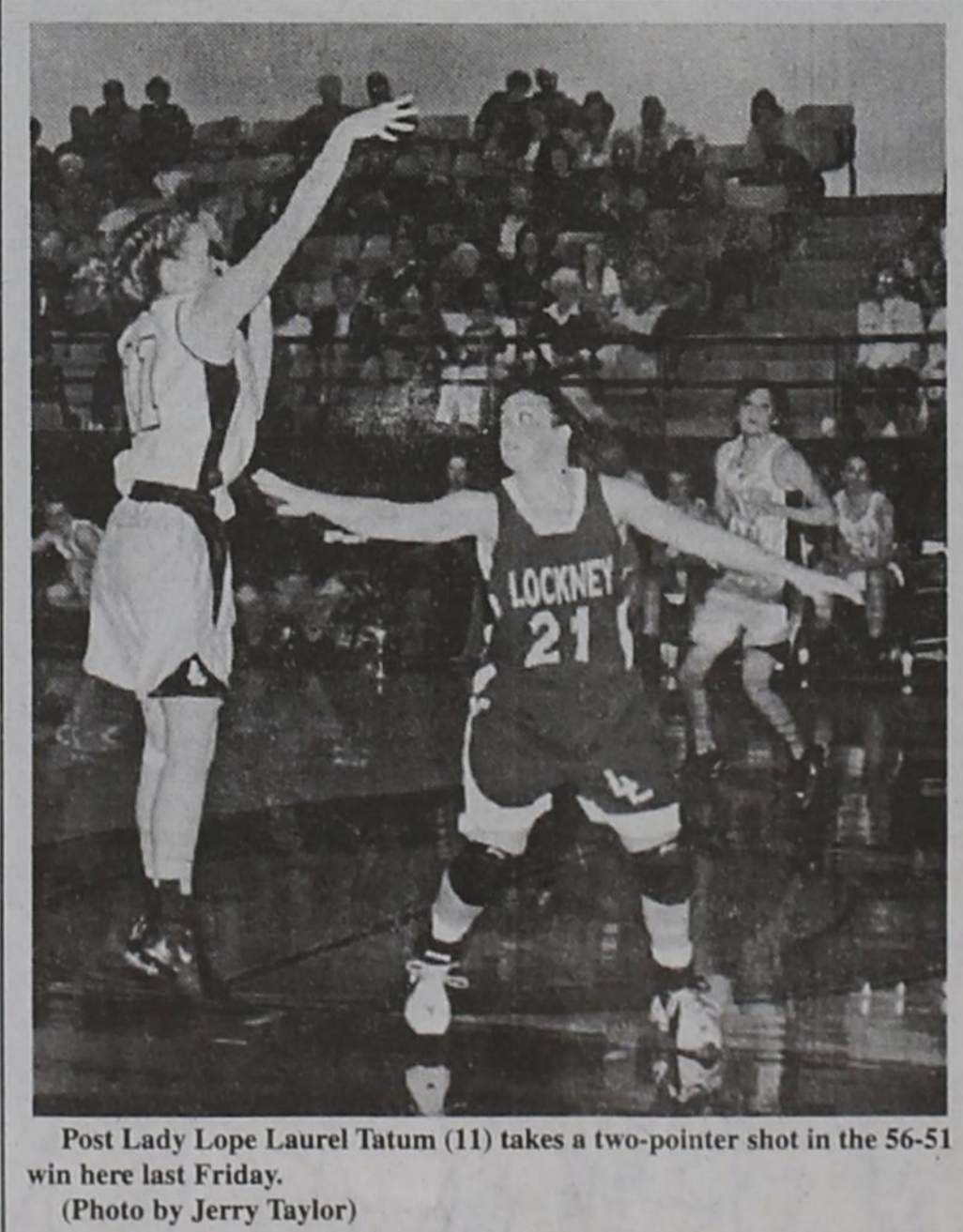
Lady Lope Rachel Gray (12) drives for the lay-up. Also in the play is Jenee Lott (left). (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Antelope defender Kenny Garay defends against a pass during last Friday's game against Lockney in Antelope Arena. Also in the play is DJ Baiza. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Post Antelope Chris Rangel (00) and Roby Lester (24) team up to steal the ball as the Lopes took on Lockney last Friday night in Antelope Arena. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Post Lady Lope Laurel Tatum (11) takes a two-pointer shot in the 56-51 win here last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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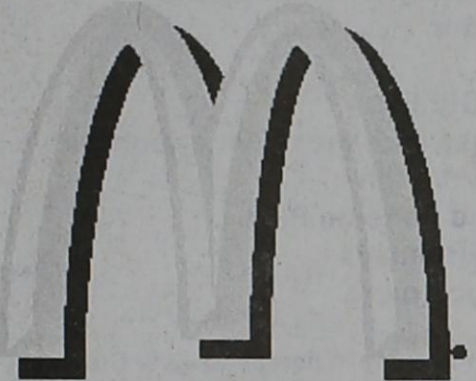
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Whether you need a break from the holidays or want to do something special for yourself, La Posta is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. And the La Posta staff is ready to make your visit a great one.

"If you want to be trendy and fashionable, La Posta is the place to shop," Bird said. "Don't forget to come by for pampering at La Posta Beauty Salon for hair styling, pedicures, manicures and massages."

Be a part of the tradition. Call La Posta at 495-2648 or drop in for a visit. You'll be glad you did.



Radio Shack, the Christmas store in Post ... Thressa Harp and Merika Strivens.

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"If you don't find that perfect gift or just don't want to shop, we also carry gift cards for Hollywood Video, Linens n' Things, Bass Pro Shop, iTunes and Napster, as well as fine dining outlets such as Chili's and On the Border," Harp said.

Gift cards are available in many denominations starting at \$10. Got your gift purchases made but just need to pay a couple of bills? Radio Shack can help you with that, too. Post's Radio Shack accepts payments for DISH Network, Cellular One, Sprint and T-Mobile.

"Radio Shack of Post appreciates your business as we strive to support your children, school and community organizations," Harp said. "With gas prices escalating, it is more important than ever to Shop Post First."

Radio Shack, which has operated in Post for the past six years, is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Their phone number is 495-4567.

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Notice of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

The George R. Brown Partnership, L.P. has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, Post Estate "A" lease, Well Number 64, 65, 66. The proposed injection wells are located South of Post, TX in the Garza Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2700' to 3200' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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The White River Municipal Water District will receive sealed Bids for the construction of 410,000 Gallon Ground Storage Tank until 5:00 p.m. local time on December 15, 2005. Bids shall be addressed to: Mickey Rogers, General Manager, White River Municipal Water District, HC 2 Box 141, Spur, TX 79370-9607. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the office of the Owner at 7:00 p.m. local time on December 15, 2005.

This project consists of the construction of a 410,000 gallon welded steel (base bid); epoxy coated, bolted steel tank (alternate bid); or glass coated, bolted steel (alternate bid) ground storage tank. Bids will also be received for the piping and site work and the demolition of two (2) existing ground storage tanks.

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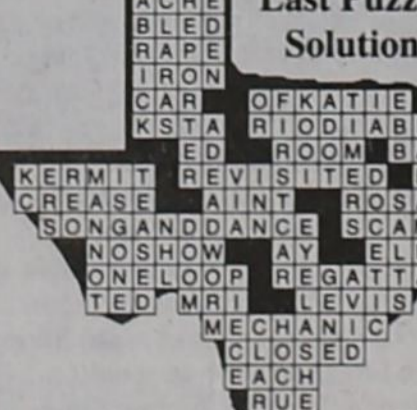
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Date Issued: November 16, 2005 By: Charles Morris
White River MWD
Spur, Texas

Menus

Post ISD

November 28 - Breakfast - Pancakes, sausage, syrup & butter, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Popcorn chicken, french fries, salad, pears, milk.

November 29 - Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, sausage link, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Spaghetti/meat sauce, salad, corn, garlic bread, fruit cocktail, milk.

November 30 - Breakfast - Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Frito pie, ranch style beans, broccoli, corn bread, peaches, milk.

December 1 - Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Chalupa, spanish rice, salad, peaches, milk.

December 2 - Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Fish, macaroni & cheese, carrot sticks, peas, hushpuppies, apple, milk.

Southland ISD

No menu available

TRAILBLAZERS

November 28 - Sloppy joes, french fries, macaroni, salad, pudding.
November 29 - Beef stew, pea salad, cornbread, cake.

November 30 - Chicken fried steak, potatoes, brussel sprouts, biscuits, fruit.
November 24 - Closed for Thanksgiving.
November 25 - Closed for Thanksgiving.

SOUTH PLAINS COMMUNITY ACTION ASSOCIATION, INC.

NEWS RELEASE/BULLETIN AVAILABILITY OF SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS

South Plains Community Action Association in Association with the South Plains Regional Housing Authority want to announce that beginning December 1, 2005, the waiting list for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Rental Assistance Program will reopen.

The primary intent of this program is to provide vouchers to eligible applicants in the eight county service area to assist with housing rental payments. Applicant must meet HUD Guidelines of low-income eligibility criteria and must be in good standing as a past participant. Once an applicant receives a voucher they are permitted to find a home of their choice in which to live that meets the needs of the size of the family. The target population is low, very low and extremely low-income as defined by HUD.

For additional information or to complete an application, please contact your local community Action Center.

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PHS students collect canned food for needy

Post students are doing their part to make this year's holiday season a brighter one. At the high school, students recently conducted a school-wide canned food drive. Set up as a competition between the classes, the drive received the most support from the senior class. The drive ended last week.

Middle school students also are conducting a canned food drive, this one sponsored by the Student Council. The drive will end Monday. Anyone interested in contributing to the drive should drop off canned goods at the Middle School office.

Another effort at the Middle School is the Toys for Tots drive under way from now until December. Sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society, the drive seeks new, unwrapped toys that will be delivered to needy families in time for the holiday season. To contribute, drop off donations at the Middle School office.

In the meantime, the fourth and fifth grade music students of Post Elementary will present their annual Christmas musical, "A Place in the Christmas Choir," at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Dec. 1. The community is invited to attend.

Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones
From The Post Dispatch archives

10 Years Ago

November 22, 1995

Post Middle School principal Marita Jackson received the prestigious "Governor's Award" for school improvement during last week's Post ISD board of trustee meeting.

Preston Poole and Jack Alexander delighted the Tower Theater audience with their "Billy Fred and Joe Bob" skit during last Saturday's Polly's Follies.

The Southland Eagles gave the Jayton Jaybirds a run for the title during the Bi-District play-off game here last Friday night. The Jaybirds won 29-25.

No official action was taken, but Post ISD trustees agreed that a new high school library is needed and expressed support for the preliminary plan. The proposed construction is to be built between the north and south wings at the high school, filling in the space on the west side and connecting to both wings. The breezeway between the buildings would be closed in.

20 Years Ago

November 27, 1985

Yes, they were big and physical, but the Perryton Rangers were no match for the speed and quickness of the harder-hitting Post Antelopes who won the battle on the line of scrimmage to bring home the Area championship.

Leading the first year of Post CARES has been Robert Wall, Steve Traw, Carolyn Halford, Elizabeth Haynes, Danielle Chapman and Rev. Glenn Rosendale. Robert and Susan Clabourne Craig of Naperville, Ill., announce the birth November 8 of their first child, Laura Elizabeth. Grandparents are Robert and Patsy Craig of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Deward White and Mr. and Mrs. Reece Hodges are jointly celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries, hosted by their children, at a reception this Saturday. Mrs. White and Mrs. Hodges are daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tipton of Close City.

30 Years Ago

November 27, 1975

Dee C. Justice has been named resident manager and mortician for the Mason Funeral home by James L. Minor, owner and funeral director. A Post High School graduate of 1971, Justice enrolled that fall in the Dallas Institute of Mortuary Science and was graduated from it in August of 1972.

Class favorites of Post High School for the 1975-76 school year are Jenny Miller and Edward Price, seniors; Karen Williams and Matt Allison, juniors; Cindy Kirkpatrick, Donna Josey and Butch Booth, sophomores; Kerry Pool and Bryan Compton, freshman.

The Post Dispatch proudly announces installation of all the new offset printing equipment in our commercial printing dept., which is under the management of Don Ammons.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Smith of Houston, announce the birth of a daughter, Jona Renea, born November 14.

Garza County Sheriff Department's officers under Sheriff Gene Gandy are Deputy Bobby Dean, Deputy Junior Shepherd, Deputy Mike Crawford, Deputy Bill Drewell and Deputy James Vandegriff.

40 Years Ago

November 25, 1965

The two top men in the local post office are tentatively scheduled to retire Dec. 30 of this year. Applying for retirement are Harold Voss, postmaster for 19 years, and O. V. McMahon, assistant postmaster for

the last several years and a postal employee here for 47 years.

Postings: George (Scotty) Samson, Dad Greenfield and Dr. A. C. Surman emerged from their summer flower and lawn competition in a three-way deadlock for first place. These three friends compete for the best lawn, the best general yard appearance, and the best mums. This year, Dr. Surman came out ahead in general year appearance, Dad had the best lawn, and Scotty concentrated on winning the mum competition.

Vernon A. Lobban of Lobban's Gulf Service was presented a five-year business association plaque from Gulf Oil Corp. The Future Teachers of America held a banquet in the City Hall in order that the 1965-66 Mr. and Miss FTA might be chosen. The winners were Jimmy Kennedy and Carol Camp.

Beverly Duncan was presented her FFA Sweetheart jacket by Charles Wallace, president of the Future Farmers of America chapter, while Cheri Cummings received her FFA Greenhand Sweetheart jacket from Johnny Kuykendoll, chapter reporter.

50 Years Ago

November 24, 1955

1955 Gold Star pins were awarded to Janet Stephens and Lonnie Gene Peel at Friday night's county Achievement program.

Union services will be held this evening at the First Baptist Church as citizens of Post prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving. The Rev. Cecil Stowe, Church of the Nazarene pastor, will bring the message. Special music will be by the First Baptist Church's men's quartet of Elmer Butler, Ray N. Smith, R. H. Tate and A. A. Shults. Thursday to Thursday - by Charles Didway: The current wave of husband slayings hasn't seemed to catch on in Post so far. We thought that was an encouraging sign, until one woman said her husband wasn't worth killing.

Miss June Ann McCombs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom J. McCombs, became the bride of William Jackson Ballentine, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ballentine, Saturday in the Crosbyton Church of Christ.

Rangy Jack Kirkpatrick, Post's contribution to the Texas Tech Red Raider football team, guided his teammates to a fourth quarter touchdown Saturday and victory over a stubborn College of Pacific eleven in Jones Stadium.

60 Years Ago

November 22, 1945

Marshall Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall L. Mason of Post has been chosen to play a leading part in "The Joyous Season," fall dramatic production at Texas Tech.

Glendon Presson, recently discharged World War II veteran, is now employed with the Corner Grocery. Congratulations are being offered two discharged World War II veterans, Albert Howard and Jack Bishop, who have opened a new business firm in Post. The new firm is styled the Howard and Bishop Body and Fender Shop and is located on the Lubbock highway just north of the city limit line.

Septators were treated between halves of the Antelope-Seminole game Saturday afternoon with the crowning of the football queen. Winner of the contested title Nora Jo Blacklock, senior of Post High School was carried on a throne hoisted upon the shoulders of six football players.

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Maxine Durrett Charitable Foundation board tours facilities

Members of the Maxine Durrett Charitable Foundation board of directors met last week to review the foundation's projects, all of which focus on preserving the history and heritage of Post.

"We set this up so board members could see what is going on in Post," said board member Lewis Earl.

The meeting, conducted Nov. 15, included visits to three local sites, as well as a meal at Chapa's Restaurant.

One of the site visits was to one of the foundation's major projects - the old Presbyterian Church building located behind United Supermarket. The building, the first church built in Garza County, is almost a century old, Earl said. After serving the local Presbyterian congregation, the church later served the Lutherans before being turned over to Maxine Earl in 1994. She turned the building over to the foundation, which now is responsible for the church's maintenance.

In recent years, the church has served as the backdrop for a handful of weddings and has occasionally been opened for "general days of prayer," Earl said.

A couple of years ago, the stained glass windows in the church were removed and re-installed. A protective glass covering was added when the stained glass windows were re-installed.

Board members discussed additional improvements that need to be made.

The group also toured the Gerber House (also known as the Little House), the two-story building located next to the Garza County Historical Museum. The structure, built by C.W. Post in about 1911 as housing for nurses who worked at the sanitarium (now the museum) next door, belonged to several families over the years. In 2002 the property came under the auspices of the Caprock Cultural Association, which has plans to restore the building to its original condition and color scheme.

The five-member board has made a \$25,000 contribution to the project, which is being led by Don Collier of Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Plans call for a building to be constructed behind the Gerber House. The new building would be used as a "parlor for Post," Earl said.

Cost estimates on the project are as high as \$450,000. Research on the project is ongoing, but plans call for the upgrade to be completed by 2007 - in time for the county's anniversary.

The third site visit made was to the Ragtown site north of the city. Ragtown is independent of the foundation, Earl said, but resources have been provided to get started on the facility's amphitheater. Ragtown is a project of the Polk brothers that has been in the making for several years. Ground was broken on the project on Labor Day.

The Ragtown amphitheater will showcase productions of "Ragtown," the story of the founding of Garza County by C.W. Post.

The board made a \$5,000 contribution this year to the non-profit portion of the organization behind Ragtown.

Post City Television

Daily Program Guide

• November 25 thru December 1

Friday, November 25

7 a.m. Garza County Health Clinic Open House
9 a.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment
10 a.m. This Week In Post City
1 p.m. Healthy Living
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
7 p.m. Garza County Health Clinic Open House
11 p.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment

Saturday, November 26

7 a.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
11 a.m. Healthy Living
2 p.m. Post Lady Lope Basketball
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
8 p.m. Garza County Health Clinic Open House
9 p.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment
10 p.m. Post Antelope Basketball

Sunday, November 27

2 p.m. Post Lady Lope Basketball
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
8 p.m. Post Antelope Basketball
10 p.m. Healthy Living
11 p.m. Garza County Health Clinic Open House

Monday, November 28

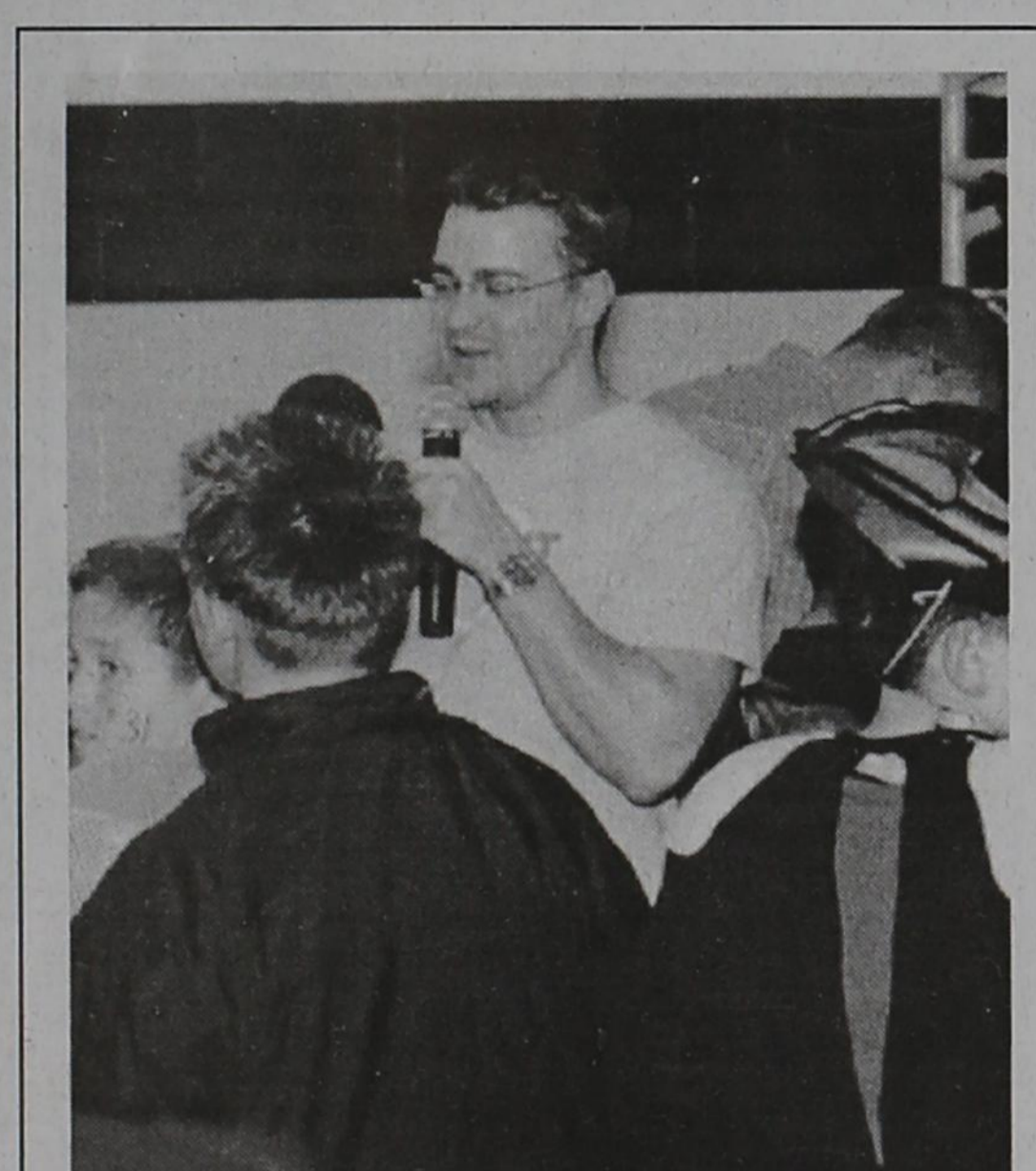
7 a.m. Antelope Weekly
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
11 a.m. Healthy Living
1, 5 & 10 p.m. Post Church of Christ Sunday Services
7 p.m. Antelope Weekly

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, November 29, 30 & Dec. 1

7 a.m. Antelope Weekly
9 a.m. Garza County Commissioners' Court
11 a.m. Post ISD Board of Trustees
1 p.m. Garza County Hospital District
3 p.m. Post City Council
5 p.m. Healthy Living
7 p.m. Antelope Weekly
9 p.m. Garza County Health Clinic Open House

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Leading one of many exciting activities during the recent Family Harvest Church Fall Festival in the Post middle school gym is Joey Hamlin.

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- Acton State Park is 0.006 of an _____
- TX Gen. Albert Johnston _____ to death at Shiloh
- a sexual assault
- TXism: "shootin' _____" (gun)
- TX Bonnie & Clyde asset: getaway _____
- TX Martha Hyer film: "The Sons _____ Elder"
- Coleman AM
- TX Kenny Rogers was a bounty hunter in this '93 TV movie
- this Harris was in film "Nixon" with TX Powers Boothe
- TXism: "lots of _____ breathing _____"
- TX Jimmy Dean's "Big _____ John"
- Winkler Co. seat
- TX H.L. Hunt novel: "Alpaca _____"
- TXism: "the meanest bull can _____ dehorned"
- ice in front of the Stars net
- TXism: "_____ got a prayer"
- Cantina in Marty Robbins' "El Paso"
- TXism: "gave me a _____" (runaround)
- swindles
- Joe Tex song: "One Monkey Don't Stop _____"
- pirate's "yes"
- place of Napoleon exile
- TXism: "a _____ man" (good roper)
- TX coast catamaran race: "Ruff Rider _____"
- this Williams was 1st manager for TX Rangers
- cube medical imaging (abbr.)
- blue jeans
- TXism: "grease monkey"
- TXism: "_____ captioning"
- apiece
- "street" under 2nd flag over Texas
- donkey
- Jacksonville FM
- "I" topper (2 wds.)
- TXism: "old- _____" (elderly folks)
- state where TX Holly died (abbr.)
- decline or recede
- TXism: "numerous as ants on _____"
- '87 film with UT grad Lou Diamond Phillips
- Ector Co. seat
- this Kevin starred with TX Quaid in "Wyatt Earp" (init.)
- hesitation sounds
- by way of
- TX-based co. "Pizza _____"
- erroneous belief of Christ's humanity
- 38 seasons food
- Stars league (abbr.)
- "_____ and gloom"
- eyelid hairs
- TXism: "speak your _____"
- TX actress Tierney
- keenly interested
- "Savior of the Alamo" Driscoll
- "_____ pocus"

DOWN

- TXism: "built like _____" (sturdy)
- where Gus was buried in TX-based "Lonesome Dove": "_____ Orchard"
- employee at the Southlake Journal
- in Concho Co. on hwy. 87
- TXism: "it's root hog _____ die"
- Houston had the "One _____" in TX

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NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS: " You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m., On the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

TO: DAVID D. VESSELS, ET AL and those shown on the Attached Exhibit "A" AND THEIR HEIRS, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, IF ANY OF SAID PERSONS ARE DECEASED, Defendants in the cause herein described.

You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear and answer before the 106th Judicial District Court in Garza County Courthouse in Post, Garza County, Texas at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the day of issuance hereof, being at or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday the 5th day of December 2005, then and there to answer the petition of ARMSTRONG OIL & GAS, L.L.C., in Cause No. 05-10-06055-CV styled "ARMSTRONG OIL & GAS, L.L.C., VS. DAVID D. VESSELS, ET AL" wherein the said Armstrong Oil & Gas, L.L.C., is Plaintiff, and the said David D. Vessels, et al THEIR HEIRS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, IF ANY OF SAID PERSONS BE DECEASED, are Defendants. The said petition, filed on the 24th day of October 2005, discloses that the nature of said suit is as follows:

This suit is brought to have a receiver appointed under the provisions of Section (64.091)(64.093) of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code for undivided mineral/royalty interests owned by the Defendants in the following described lands in Garza County, Texas, to-wit:

- Tract 1: Block 97, H&TC Ry Co., Survey, A-239, Section 875, SW/4 of NW/4 and W/2 of SW/4, Garza County, Texas containing 120 acres more or less
- Tract 2: Block 2, T&NO, RR Co, Survey, Abstract-244, Section 9, SE/4 of NE/4 and E/2 of SE/4, Garza County, Texas containing 120 acres more or less

and to execute Oil, Gas and Mineral Leases, ratifications of oil, gas and mineral leases thereof to the Plaintiff, ratifications and/or pooling agreement covering said land, and take such other action deemed necessary under the provisions of said statutes.

If this citation is not served with ninety (90) days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, on this the 24th day of October 2005 at Post, Garza County, Texas.

JIM PLUMMER,
 Clerk of the District Court of Garza County, Texas
 By [Signature] Deputy
 RECEIVERSHIP LIST

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TSC/Mr. Ron Bliss
 Armstrong Oil and Gas - Teas PROSPECT
 Garza County, Texas

Mineral	Owners	Receivership	Section 9	Section 875	ADDRESS:
Mary Lynn	Bolger, Trustee	0.937500	0.468750	0.468750	4835 N. Miller Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251
Tommy A	Favor, Trustee of the Tommy A. Favor Revocable Living Trust	1.875000	1.875000		578 Bellchase, Granbury, TX 76048
Anna	Forster	3.750000	3.750000		126 Casa Grande, Odessa, TX 79763
Ted	Fults	0.187500	0.125000	0.062500	S-4 Caret Bay, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
C. A.	Magaziner	1.037500	0.312500	0.725000	1056 Columbia Place, Boulder, CO 80303
James Robert	Martin	1.875000	0.937500	0.937500	P.O. Box 8617, Horseshoe Bay, TX
Julia	Rankin	1.875000	1.875000		201 N. Big Spring, Midland, TX 79703
Port	Rankin				201 N. Big Spring, Midland, TX 79703
Mann	Rankin				201 N. Big Spring, Midland, TX 79703
Betty Ann Fults	Remy	0.125000		0.125000	Box 575, Round Rock, TX 78680
I. H.	Stewart	0.937500	0.312500	0.625000	6035 Prestonshire Lane, Dallas, TX 75225
Walter J.	Teel	0.937500	0.937500		1711 Jessica Lane, Portage, MI 49024
Walter J.	Parr, a/k/a W.J. Parr				2131 Mansfield Avenue, Portage, MI 49002
Josephine	Parr				no known address
Donald Stephen	Tipton	0.187500	0.062500	0.125000	45 Bradford Circle, Sugar Land, TX 77479
John J.	Tipton	0.187500	0.062500	0.125000	3840 South Willow Way, Denver, CO 80237-1600

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David Dex	Vessels	11.250000	5.625000	5.625000	P. O. Box 709, Houston, TX 77587
David	Vessels				no known address
Mary Nell	Vessels				no known address
Wendy B.	Wood	0.937500		0.937500	3200 Lenox NE-Apt. C-204, Atlanta, GA 202034
Waring	Bradley				no known address
Placer LTD		0.156250		0.156250	P.O. Box 8204, Midland, TX 79708
Charles J.	Conkling	0.625		0.625	P.O. Box 924, Burnet, TX 78611
		26.881250	26.88125	16.343750	10.5375

'FrUITCaKES' opens Dec. 2 at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre is whipping up a few "FrUITCaKES" for the holiday season.

"FrUITCaKES," a comedy, is being directed by Laura Bryan. Performances are set for Dec. 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 16 and 17.

"Mix together a batch of fruitcakes, three dozen Christmas trees, 10,000 outdoor Christmas lights, a chicken pox epidemic, two southern spinsters, an estranged old man, a lost cat named Tutti Frutti and a Christmas hog named Buster and you've got the recipe for a fun-filled and touching evening filled with holiday cheer," reads the theatre handbill. "A moving story of alienation, understanding and reconciliation, FrUITCaKES provides audiences with a heaping helping of holiday warmth and Christmas cheer."

"FrUITCaKES" cast members include Stan Tucker, Ryan Opton, Angela Gentry, Bethany Ratliff, Katherine Voyles, Nate Smith, Nolan Bryan, Savannah Baker, Jordan Polk, Taylor Blevins, Elizabeth Elston and Grayson Young.

Also, Rick Fay, Virginia Solomon, Nick Smith, Madison Bryan, Connor Elston, Brandon Blevins, Patrice Fay, Roy Willis, Clarissa Baker, Rebekah Ratliff, Cameron May and Josh Quinton star in the production.

Curtain times will be 8 p.m. for Friday and Saturday shows and 2:30 p.m. for the Sunday matinee.

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6 to 12. Tickets may be purchased at the theatre's box office.

For more information on the show or tickets, call 495-4005.

Slashing the Budget?

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul
 Only in Washington DC can a spending increase be called a spending cut—but that's exactly what happened last week. Congress passed a budget bill that merely slows the rate at which some federal spending grows by a tiny percentage, and both parties acted as though a revolution had taken place.

Republicans trumpeted the measure as a huge victory for fiscal conservatism, while Democrats were enraged by the supposed "slashing" of government programs. The uproar shows just how entrenched the spending culture has become on Capitol Hill— even insignificant reductions in the rate of growth in federal spending are seen as earth-shattering. But if we're really serious about cutting federal spending, why not simply cut 10% from the 2006 budget?

Remember, the same Republicans claiming victory for slowing spending next year also passed the Medicare prescription drug bill, which will add over \$50 billion to the federal budget in 2006 alone! In just one year the Medicare bill adds ten times in new spending what the budget bill purportedly cuts. So nobody who voted for the Medicare drug bill has any business talking about government spending. Neither do those who refuse to consider cutting one penny from the military and foreign aid budgets. You cannot conduct a foreign policy based on remaking whole nations using military force and pretend to operate a frugal government.

The Democrats, by contrast, never want to cut spending on anything, no matter how much the federal budget grows—and it's doubled in 15 years. A \$2.4 trillion federal budget is woefully inadequate in their eyes, and ten years from now they'll say the same thing about a \$5 trillion budget. No amount of spending will ever satisfy those who believe government should address every human problem and involve itself in every aspect of our lives.

The budget bill fails to address the root of the spending problem—this belief that Congress continually must create new federal programs and agencies. However, with the federal government's unfunded liabilities— Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid— projected to reach as much as \$50 trillion by the end of this year, Congress no longer can avoid serious efforts to rein in spending. Instead of a smoke-and-mirrors approach, Congress should begin the journey toward fiscal responsibility by declaring a ten percent reduction in real spending, followed by a renewed commitment to fund only those government functions that are consistent with the Constitution.

Taxation and theft are the same thing

...
 it's time to say
 no to both